

Michael O. Leavitt Governor Lowell P. Braxton Division Director

1594 West North Temple, Suite 1210 PO Box 145801 Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-5801 801-538-5340 801-359-3940 (Fax) 801-538-7223 (TDD)

December 21, 1999

To:

Internal File \*\*

Thru: Pam Grubaugh-Littig, Permit Supervisors

Daron Haddock, Permit Supervisor

From: Wm. J. Malencik, Reclamation Specialist Life.

RE:

Division Order, Lodestar Energy, Inc., Horizon Mine, ACT/007/020-DO99B

I have all the comments from task force members. I have made the following decisions subject to your concurrence.

## I. **Coal Sampling**

On the matter of coal sampling, has mixed opinions. I have ruled that the mine can not mine coal without a new 1,288 acre federal DOGM permit. Therefore, the sampling must be included as part of the DOGM 1,288 permitting process.

## II MSHA Approval

I conversed with MSHA Price Director in September 1999 as part of the BLM-DOGM underground CO violation. The mine was (a) gobbing underground development waste, and (b) this practice has been approved by MSHA.

O:\COAL\WP\007020.HZN\FINAL\divord2.99b.wpd